



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2628 **Muscle Shoals National Heritage Area Study Act of 2002**

*As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on October 8, 2002*

H.R. 2628 would require the National Park Service (NPS) to study an area of northern Alabama to determine the suitability and feasibility of establishing it as a National Heritage Area. The legislation would require the agency to report to the Congress on its findings within three years of receiving funding for the study.

Based on information provided by the NPS, CBO estimates that completing the required study and report would cost the federal government \$250,000 over the next three to four years, assuming the availability of appropriated funds. H.R. 2628 would not affect direct spending or revenues. The act contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

On March 22, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2628 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on March 20, 2002. The two versions of the legislation are identical, as are the CBO cost estimates.

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